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Indira Gandhi Matritva Sahyog Yojana
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Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a): the salient features of Indira Gandhi Matritva Sahyog Yojana (IGMSY) implemented by the Government for pregnant and lactating women;
(b): the budgetary allocation under the yojana along with grant-in-aid allocated/released and utilised and number of women beneficiaries thereunder during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
(c): the number of districts covered under the yojana so far along with the number of districts and beneficiaries planned to be covered during the current year;
(d): the measures taken by the Government to make the scheme more effective;
(e): whether the Government is providing calorie rich food to children under Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Scheme and if so, the details thereof; and
(f): whether said scheme has been extended/integrated under National Food Security Act at present and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
(SHRIMATI MANEKA SANJAY GANDHI)

(a): The Ministry of Women and Child Development is implementing Indira Gandhi Matritva Sahyog Yojana (IGMSY), a centrally sponsored Conditional Maternity Benefit (CMB) scheme, under which the maternity benefits of Rs.6,000/- per beneficiary is provided in two equal instalments to pregnant and lactating mothers of 19 years and above, for first two live births, subject to fulfilment of certain conditions relating to maternal and child health. IGMSY aims to contribute better enabling environment to support the health and nutrition needs of pregnant and lactating women by providing cash incentives in their bank/post office accounts between the second trimester of pregnancy till the child attains the age of six months. It also attempts to partly compensate for wage losses suffered by pregnant and lactating women prior to and after the delivery of the child.

(b): Under IGMSY, there is no provision of State/UT-wise allocation of funds. The Year-wise funds allocated under IGMSY during the last three years and the current years is as under:

Year 2012-13 2013-14 2014-15 2015-16
BE/RE
(Rupees in Crore) 520.00/84.00 500.00/300.00 400.00/360.00 438.00

The State/UT-wise details of funds released and utilisation reported under IGMSY during the last three years and the current year is at Annex-I. The State/UT-wise details of beneficiaries covered under IGMSY during the last three years and the current year is at Annex-II.

(c): The IGMSY is being implemented in 53 selected districts across the country. The estimated number of beneficiaries for the current financial year in existing 53 districts is around 6 lakhs.

(d): The scheme is being implemented using the Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Scheme platform to reach the intended beneficiaries. The scheme promotes adoption of optimal health and nutrition services provided under National Rural Health Mission (NRHM), Janani Suraksha Yojana (JSY) and ICDS Scheme through convergence. Mother Child Protection (MCP) card, a joint initiative of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MHFW) and Ministry of Women and Child Development (MWCD), is a primary verification tool for the scheme. MCP card helps to monitor services utilised by the IGMSY beneficiary.

(e): As per revised nutritional & feeding norms for supplementary nutrition in ICDS Scheme issued on 24th February 2009, the details are as under:

Age group Type of food Calories (kcal.) Protein
(g)
Children 6 Months to 3 years

Severely under-weight children Take Home Ration (THR) in the form of Micronutrient Fortified Food and/or Energy-dense Food.

THR in small frequent meals to the child. 500

800 12-15

20-25
Children 3 to 6 years

Severely under-weight children 1.Morning snack
2.Hot cooked meal

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2. Hot cooked meal.
3. Micronutrient Fortified Food and/or Energy-dense Food as THR. 500

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(f): The Ministry has revised the entitlement of the maternity benefit under IGMSY from Rs.4,000/- to Rs.6,000/- per beneficiary with effect from 5th July, 2013 in accordance with the National Food Security Act (NFSA), 2013.

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